

**PATENT** 

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of: Kevin Cable)	Examiner:	Donald L. Tarzano
S/N:	10/718,906	)	Art Unit: 1773
Filed:	11/21/2003	)	Conf. No.: 1643
Title:	Improved Flavor Barrier	)	

## **AMENDMENT A**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004, please amend the aboveentitled application as follows:

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PTO/SB/21 (04-04) Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE der the Paper Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. **Application Number** 10/718,906 TRANSMITTAL Filing Date Nov 21, 2003 **FORM** First Named Inventor Cable, Kevin (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing) Art Unit 1773 **Examiner Name** Donald L. Tarzano Total Number of Pages in This Submission Attorney Docket Number **BRP-56 ENCLOSURES** (Check all that apply) х Fee Transmittal Form After Allowance communication Drawing(s) to Technology Center (TC) Fee Attached Licensing-related Papers Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences Amendment / Reply Appeal Communication to TC Petition (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) Petition to Convert to a After Final Proprietary Information Provisional Application Power of Attorney, Revocation Affidavits/declaration(s) Status Letter Change of Correspondence Address Other Enclosure(s) (please Extension of Time Request Terminal Disclaimer identify below): Express Abandonment Request Request for Refund Information Disclosure Statement CD, Number of CD(s) Remarks Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT Firm J. Bennett Mullinax, LLC Individual name Signature Date September 15, 2004 CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below. Typed or printed name J./Bennett Mullinax

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The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)		130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments	1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
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1. BASIC FILING FEE	1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
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1001 770 2001 385 Utility filing fee	1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee	1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee	1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
CURTOTAL (4) (C)	1452 1453	110 1,330	2452 2453	55 665	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)  2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1501	1,330	2501	665	Petition to revive – unintentional Utility issue fee (or reissue)	<u> </u>
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Extra Claims below Fee Paid	1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
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Claims	1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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Large Entity   Small Entity   Fee   Fee   Fee   Fee   Fee   Description	1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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1202 18 2202 9 Claims in excess of 20	1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1201 86 2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3	1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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